For the War Crimes Office

Judge Advocate General's Department -- War Department

United States of America

In the matter of the failure of the Japanese to provide adequate medical treatment and adequate medical supplies and food at Tayabas, Luzon, resulting in the death of unknown numbers of American soldiers.

*Perpetuation of Testimony of Charles Thomas Brown, Mejor, 0-301813

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In the Presence of:

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Quostions by:

James C. Fitzgorald, Special Agent, SIC.

- 2 State your name, rank, serial number and permanent home address.
- A My name is Charles Thomas Brown, Major, M.C., ASN 3-301013, and address is 311 Bluebonnet Boulevard, San Antonio, Toxos.
- Q Have you recently been returned to the United States from overseas?
- A Yes, I returned to Letterman General Hospital, San Francisco, California, on 16 March 1945.
- Q Wore you a prisoner of war?
- A Yes, a prisoner of the Japanese.
- Q At what places were you held and state the approximate dates?
- I was captured on 10 April 1942, at Marivoles on Bataan. I remained on Bataan at Field Hospital No. 1, until 18 June 1942. On that date I was reveal to Bilibid Prison in Manila, and on 19 June I went on a work detail to Tayabas and remained there until 10 July 1942. On this date I was returned to Bilibid Prison and remained there until 4 February 1945, when I was liberated by the American Forces.
- Q Are you a practicing physician?
- A Yes, I an.
- Q Gutlino your medical education and your provious practice;
- A I attended Baylor University, School of Medicine, at Dallas, Texas, and received my M.D. degree in 1932. Upon graduation I began my internship at Robert B. Green Menerial Hospital San Antonio, Texas, and renained there for one year. I began private practice in medicine in 1933, at San Marcos, Texas, and after practicing for one year there I went on active duty with the U.S. Army Medical Corps, and I have remained on active duty as an officer in the Army Medical Corps since that time.

Q Are you familiar with the circumstances surrounding the failure of the Japanese to furnish proper medical treatment, supplies and feed to American soldiers on work details at Tayabas, Luzon, which resulted in the death of an unknown number of American soldiers?

A Yes, I am.

? State what you know of your own knowledge about such failure on the part of the Japanese, On 19 June 1942, the Japanese ordered the Senior medical officer at Bilibid Prison, Monila, to furnish two medical officers and four medical At that time thirty dying Americans had been brought into the prison hospital by the Japanese and we were told that other men were dying and honce the necessity for sending medical personnel to the suffering prisoners on the work detail. On or about the norning of 20 June, Captain Paul Ashton and four nedical detachment corpsnon, whose names I do not now recall, and I were taken by truck to the province of Tayabas in southern Luzon to a point twenty kilometers from a town called Calauag. We arrived there at night and found in a small creek bod about three hundred american soldiers, sailors and marines in most pitiful conditions, some at the point of death, three already dead, and the living suffering from malaria, dysentery and malnutrition. The Japanese furnished us no medical supplies and Captain Ashten had only a small medical field pouch. This was all of the medicine we, had. The Japanese then told us that medicine would come later. These three hundred men had been here for about three weeks having been picked at random from the survivors of the "Doath March" at Camp O'Donnell. All were in poor physical condition when they were taken from Camp O'Donnell by truck. They were removed from Tayabas for the purpose of building a read through an almost imponetrable jungle. When we arrived we were tald that thirty men had already died from dysentery, malaria and exposure, and the survivers were sleeping on the ground in the rocky creek bed, drinking filthy water from the creek, and living in the open without cover. These men were forced to work from daylight to dark. Hen who were almost dead from malaria and dysentery were forced to work in the sun without clothing, cover or shoes, with a whoelbarrow, pick and shovel. Men were frequently beaten by guards for stopping to relieve themselves. Men too weak to work were beaten and produced along by Japanese guards with pick handles, bayonet scabbards, or any other object they found around. When we arrived this had been going on for three weeks. Captain Ashton, who was in charge of our medical detail, immediately requested the Japanese to allow the medical detachment a free hand and asked that the Tying non be allowed to rost and asked for supplies. I also interceded with the Japanese at various times on behalf of the sick. The food at the time of our arrival night be considered sufficient and had been for the previous three wooks, but due to severe illness fr a maleria and dysentery, men were unable to eat. This food was a stock pile of captured imerican food consisting of various cannot goods. After the arrival of the medical detachment the food began to run out and at the end the detail survived on rico alone. It was impossible to prepare food due to the lack of cooking facilities and all fo d was prepared in the iron wheelbarrow with a fire built under it. The death rate for the next three weeks after my arrival was from three to four men a day. These men were buried near the camp site and given a decent burial. In order to keep the living clothed they had to strip the dead of their clothes. In accurate list of the dead was kopt all the while by Captain Paul asht n and has been, I believe, turned in to authorities at Letterman General Hospital. As time went on at the camp, conditions became worse and with flies and masquitoes it was in-possible to maintain sanitary conditions. We had no notting, no beds, although the Japanese guards had tents or Nipo barracks. On two coasi as, in the last of June, as I remember, the Japanese medical fficers inspected this work camp but did nothing to anoligate conditions, although they promised aid. I do not remember the afficer allowed us to send back to the prison hospital at Bilibid, thirty of the men in the most serious physical condition. Also on or about 1 July I believe the truck that took the thirty nen to Bilibid brought the supplies back. We received some modical supplies from the Japanese which consisted only of a fow hundred quinine tablets and a small amount of bandages, gauze and indine, and possibly a few other items of no consequence. There were not enough redical supplies

sent by the Japanese to take care of ten men and there was not ever five pounds of supplies in all. Coptain Ashton made daily requests for modical supplies without success. Every effort was made on the part of the medical detachment to relieve conditi as of the sick but without medical supplies little could be accomplished. On 10 July 1942, the Japanese medical officer again allowed us to send thirty men in the most serious condition to Bilibid Prison. I accompanied these men to Bilibid at the order of Captain Ashton, due to the fact that I was suffering from severe beri bori. Captain Ashton and the four corps men remained at the camp for about two or three weeks langer and then they were brought in with the survivors. I do not renember how many survived out of the original three hundred men. During the period I was there possibly fifty men died. I do not remember exactly how many. Had we been furnished with medical supplies and had we been able to improve living conditions, many of these men could have been saved. In my opinion, it was criminal to send these men to Tayabas from Camp O'Donnell as they had not received from the privations of Bataan and almost all of them had made the "Doath March" from Bataan. I state unqualifiably that I hold the Japanese government responsible for the death of every American who died at this camp. We called the attention of the Japanese to the terrible conditions daily and told then that these mon would all die unless the Jepanose would provide necessary clothing, quarters, food and medical supplies. Upon arrival at Bilibid Prison many of the survivors died as a result of their privations at Tayabas. I cannot state who the Japanese were who operated this camp, but I believe that Captain Ashten, who is now at Corona, Colifornia, has information as to the identity of these Japanese. As I recall, it was the general opinion that the troops in charge of this work detail were engineer troops from Osaka, but I cannot be sure about that.

> /s/ Charles Thomas Brown, Maj., USA

State of Toxas

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County of Boxar

I, Charles Thomas Brown, of lawful ago, being duly sworn on oath, state that I have read the foregoing transcription of my interrogation and all answers contained therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Charles Thomas Brown, Maj., USA

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of May 1945.

/s/ 4. C. Mogford
A. C. Mogford
Captain, Inf.
Summary Court Officer

CERTIFICATE

I, James C. Fitzgerald, Special igent, Security and Intelligence
Division, Headquarters Eighth Service Command, ASF, certify that on 10 May
1945, personally appeared before no Charles Thomas Brown, Major, 0-301813, and
gave the foregoing answers to the several questions set forth; that after
his testimony had been transcribed, the said Charles Thomas Brown read the
same and affixed his signature thereto in my presence.

/s/ James C. Fitzgerold
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Special Agent, SIC

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CERTIFICATE

I, T. R. C. King, Major, Inf. (TD), Executive Officer, Legal Section, General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, do hereby certify that the attached photostatic copy of the affidavit of MAJOR CHARLES THOMAS BROWN is a true and correct reproduction of the original affidavit; and that a signed and sworn copy of said affidavit is presently on file with this Section.

/s/ T. R. C. King T. R. C. King, Major, Inf. (TD)

Witness: /s/ John R. Pritchard
Sworn to before me this 14th day of
November 1946, Tokyo, Japan.

/s/ John R. Pritchard Capt. Inf. Summary Court 50C 27 42 EXMIBIT NO.

大手のないしてかららい

湖 雷 柳 本有罪存回其為四个何日。照四年前時前日 去矢少在「下、尺、キング」(歌車一部本人)、物紙添作、イナナーと は食者」真実 トーマス・アラカン」少佐口供書「白 三子王且少正確十一被為少少了人及其記以日本,等名宣拉言 上現在立部二年四日シアルコトラ後二部

信軍歩兵少在(戦車配逐隊)丁人人 立合日人「ジョン、区・ジーンチャー 1九四大年一两右二十一年一十一日十四日、日本南京三

全面前三十個五百人

しびかど、ス・ションナヤーテア 即次教判所陸軍告矣大群

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文書第二七四二号

矢す死七センメタルる件二東シテ 充分七醫藥並一食糧一供給习色リンタメ教知レサル米国 日本人が「ルソン・タヤバス」二於了充分ナル医療の施コサズ 米國陸軍省法務局長 戰等犯罪局,夕人

○一三〇一八一三子了「ヤヤールス・トーマス・ブラウン少佐 ,證言保全

列席者 「テキサス州サンアントニオ」地方情報局 A·S·F·第八軍司令部安全情報部 一九四五年—一一股和二十年一五月十日 デキサス州サンアントニオ」地方情報局速記 特別代理人「チェームス・シー・フィッケラルド」 者「マキシン・ビー、スティット」

答 间 貴方,姓名:階級·標識看号及原籍地了述べ十十十. 八个、私八九四五年一路和二十年一三月十六日「カリフオルラ州 貴方い最近海外ョリ米國二歸還シタノデスカ 私、標識番号の一三の八三号軍医少佐「チャールス・ アリューボネット・ブールバード」三百十一生番地デアリマス、 トーマス・ブラウンデアリ、私ノ原籍地ハラキャス州サンアントニオ 「チェームス・シー・フィッケラルド」特別代理人

貴方八倍房デシタカ ハイ・日本ノ保膚デンタ

サンフランシスコノ「レットマン」陸軍病院二婦リマシタ

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「バターン、第一号野戦病院二居りマンタ、其ノ日二私ハマラ 何处收容力了居了シタク、又大凡」日時了運べ十寸了 於下揮八ラシマシタ。私八九四年一昭和十七年一六月十八日近 私ハー九四二年一四十七年一四月十日「バターン」ノ「マリベレス」 紀二届リマンク 七月十日迄留マリマシタ、此日私ハ「ごりイビド」二戻サレ かかべて、へ行キマシタ。ソシテ其处二九四年一四和十七年 ノブレンンド、刑務所、移サレ六月十九日、特別労務ノタメ 一九四五年一一四和三十年一一月四日米國軍二校出サレルマデ其

な、ハイ、ソラデス.

私ハラキサス」州、「グラス」ノ醫学校でエイラー」大学、 貴方,醫學,教育及びコレマデノ營業,略述十十人 學一九三年一四和一年一医學士,免狀了得了少久卒業 マンタ、私ハーテキサス州サンマーコス」デー九三三年一昭和八年 紀念病院が助手ラ始をシタ、ソンテ其处三年南留マリ ト共三私ハーアキャス州ーサンアントンオ」ノロバート、ビー、クリーン 二個人医業了始人其处戶年间營業後米國陸軍衛

貴方い日本人が「ルソン・タヤバス」デ特別券務で後る中り 給与り色ツタタメ教知しかい米国兵了死亡サセクる情 米國兵が対少適当」医療う施了大医藥及で食糧ノ 生部隊,将校上之了軍務。服之了来了一六人

答ハイヨク知ッテキマスカ

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日本関ノクトルは魔三関シテ書なり知って心でりり述べてする あ、1ちョノル/品なナイルーなエナちロロやてこいのレット、ロニアデンと終 作一上級軍一医将校"二人一軍臣将校上四人一衛生失了特別 任務"然かせいタメン特例とい様、今受致ションタ、私に此一事求ナレ タ特別任務三就ノベノで願シアンク、当時三十名「類死」米 宋か日本人,依一即務所清明,題八三屋でとろ、ノンを飲る 八他、米兵を同様、瀬死・松陰っていりと、出等し届ンデル学者 "好少衛生員う特派スルが要かりかりかく南のサレマシタ、七月 三十日を成べ其、頃、朝「ボール、アンユトン」大衛し名前、今風と 出わいわりかるろくを生るとれてトレックであるシンノルテラ 「かちいべ」と、たかなアナーないつう見るとい十年難かかあ 1度ションテ作するシタ。我々へ夜東処」を用きてふか、ソシテル ナナハリノ川灰、約三百名ノ米國ノ陸兵、水兵及ご治矢が最で 降いべき状にいうなしりなえシマンクが成じてしいれる類び三名 八路三九七ン、ソンテ生キテキル者そフラリヤヤ赤衛や紫養女務 「傷がテキャング、日本人、我々」何一定療品を与へべてアンユーン 大解が懂の野殿用、ハナナ症状をおけってするころかってンテンク、 とか然ではりを居り強人を切かアックシャス、日本人に当時然 タニ旗木へ後カラ来ルト云ッテマシカ、見はー三百人ノ人やハイード 本心, 快管部一次十分一个住住,一生存者中户了年去一次原 二連して来タモーか約三週間は外」をターでは、彼等かトラック アイトトルと牧客所のう造とそ来ランタトをはデーノモーへ食 節と健康状態ニアリマシか、

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朱容到着三月時節ンナン、既"三週間七行、ひ于居り十年当り次第一物で殴らりかり戻りりりととかに日本人衛矢三體階、柄や剛、朝、井下、其、四、天三度を殴打すしてる、及非常三謂、り働いてし人で、用便、為任るり一寸止九上衛、聖三等力が一千押車、顧階、、シャでりまって、上九上衛とそ次天下三首約と着又下着とけた人の中の、衛人を大災天下三首約と着ス下着とけた人、日中の、陽くを大人下一番約とます。 マラリヤス、野豚ランク 死亡らくぼり、小川、不潔は赤、だ石、多イ小川、川床、地上、眠り、小川、不潔のよびの、物等、然に、通路、建設、目的り以下の本での対に、回過に難へ密林」通路、建設、目的り以

り初くてろの、ンテ遂、特派班、ラ、米ノミア生き行時蔵、京の、祖多、韓語類で有補り、アメリカ食糧品ラビハケンが、下て、食るコトか去来ナケナリマと、して、食るコトか去来ナケナリマとう、何、元介テアストラ一思へしろ、体、マラリヤト本瀬では、私、又事と病人、為一日本人、教の成と下すってとれ、教死、人会、休養う許、医学、神路人心様、題、自本人、対少衛生班、自由措置、計入機、要水と具、大は、前診衛生班、格任者「アシェレン大尉、即時

り初人でろろ ソシテ遂 情派班、ラ、米ノミド生き行時蔵をのいますで、衛生班,到着後食物、十十年に食物、雑多、罐話類下介補り、アメリカ食糧品ラビハクナッシテ人々、食うコトが去来十ケナリマとう、同、元介テアストラ一思へしろ、体、マラリヤト市御で合物、我や一到着当時、元今上思いと又いとディ三児人の、私、又夢で病人,為一日本人三執の成之では、解しる人、対シ衛生班、自由措置了許、補完之以為、即時、各所性者「アシ」とし、大尉、即時

* Your 料理器具, 大之, ~ 問理如不可能下下了 于總下食物(1)一条製、手押車、中三人工其一下下

200 華藤十年でできる 生存の 足等人人以降所一路 大京政学 人以保管所一路 死亡率、初,到着後,次人 火, 東京、中田意下、言ら、次, 大, 東京、中田意下、食物、一、祭割入、 まえる、料理器具, 火 死亡率、初一到着後、次,三週间、一日三四名下下了了了 是等人人只收零所一塘內近了三埋葬中以了以下抱魔人 華儀が行いてきれ 生存者二本類っ着せいタイ、彼等へ 死亡者、衣類、別が取うえべナリスセンアンろ、死亡者、正 確于表へ始終「ホール・アシュトン大尉」ヨリ保は目は「い、下る」

陸軍病院、当事者二生文十七月七私、信び己人 時日十經三後之中以雖長 ノタ人衛生、通えい状態、維持スルコト、不可能テリスラグ 我な、破帳ですり、腰台をナカッタが日本り衛生矢、天幕、持 よ或、標間草キーバラックラ持ッテキシ 二回三回り、ソレバ六月一末 上記禮》了不以日本一軍医將校八吐一作業收容所可視家 マシス件、饭等、助りり約シタトレドで炊態り改善えいくた

何天子中以人私、是等軍医解校人名子記帳之口也以 一九里五郎和十七年一十月一日日成八年、月一日本學医路校八 失く、「じー」じ」、門務所病院、最大重能、者、中トラ 三十九、送一墨八人口上,許多又多以又七月一日日大八其時 じりじと 八三十名、連と、行ックトラックか给与るう持す 帰へて私、思とる、我々、日本人の子苦干」医療品了受 取りて言いいい、教百銀、規那塩、少里、網帶、か也、沃度、ソ しま多分やいころを数長、モーニ過ぎてとうずらろは本人こうは うく医療るいナ人三手当ところるかですり、全部で立からが足るが

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衛生班側一於子、患者、病狀改善了人人人凡不努力力盡多分 医療らナシアへたンドムまでとアレス 一九三年一班初十七年七月十日日本軍屋将夜八再七貫展下車除了 三十名う「いり」が所が、一生にコトラ教で、許らてられいとな 附月日雲で下屋きずアアシュトレ大衛へ命令ころりいりとはへ 是等し人と一緒一年とろろ「アンニトン大尉し四名一班買い 英快冷所,約二三週尚女々ヨラ、永ヶ留っりっきりか、けしち ラ生存者十共二連レラレテ素でララダ、初メ、三百人、中何人か 即少分、記憶致三下艺、私「其处三居」三多期間中三四万 了五十名、死七三月下七月十五龍 八秋八記傷シスセス、苦ら 我京臣療居子子(ランシテ生活狀態,及其五九八月か上来人 スンが実生し人々、中、多りが核にタデアリマセス、和、音の見が 「戻等し人ですすしいえと快客所のラプタヤがろ」達とし云ると 八犯罪デアリス、ソ、罪、彼等、「バノー」」の思ちゃう回復とう 居言又又似等一能之上全部、「りり」とり、一切、行進りから ラデアリスス、松、此、股客所、於于死七三夕樂于、米國人 死」なシテ、日本政府三責任トアルコトラ街三日シテ帰りてなる 我只了你只不放照一对三百日日本人一注意了與起以 日本人下必要大衣類、宿舍、食糧、及心医、療、日子供統、于具 トナトルに完等く人の、全部死モシテアノトスパターデアリスス 「「じじ川務所」到着三夕時生在者中一多了者か了りや ベスラがトル国書、結果死亡ろろろれ、此、此、家家所、接當

「ころと、大府、毎日医療居り請求」ころか、飲目でき、特派

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医療品ナシアへた、ドムまでナンテング 一九四年八明初十七年七月日本軍臣将夜八再七最民了 三十名う「ビービリリ刑部所、三達にコトラ教で、許らてられいといく 除してきなってをというアンシュトレ大科、命令ころりいりとはへ 是等し人なし一緒一件キラシス、アンニトン大尉し四名一班買べ 其、収容所、約二三週尚女々ろう永ヶ留っりてきりか、いしち う生存者と共二連とうとままるられ、初く三百人、中何人か 即門名治療致三下艺、私「其处三居りころり期間中二門了 了五十名(死七之月下セラか正確…、人数、記情シマセス、苦る 我京臣療品子子(こし、ソシテ生活状態,及其古としてかよまえ ストに変等し人や、中、多りが救いしタテアリマセス和、音が見が 、戻等し人ですすしいえに快落所りろうタヤがひに達して云る 八犯罪アアッグ、ソ、罪、彼等、「バノー」、因苦もう回復とう 居うべ又収等、だらと全部にいりし」りて死し行進」りたいろ ラデアリアス、私、此、收零所、於于死七之夕總子、米國人 死」対シテ、日本政府三責任かアルコトラ街三日シテ曜りでかっ 我只了你也不敢能了对多每日日本人一注意了與起以 日本人小必要大衣類、宿舍、食糧及心医療品了使施了了矣 トナトルが実生、人々、全部死モシテアノトスパターデアリスス 「「じじ川務所」到着三ヶ時生在者中一多つ、者かっかり ベスラがトル国書、結果死亡ろろろれれ、此、収容所了接當

「アシュトシ大尉、毎日医療品、請は、ころうか、歌目アンな、特派 衛生班側一於子、患者、病狀改善、少人凡不努力力盡之分

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大国陸軍少佐力でして、トーマス、アララン「「ナヤールス・トースス、アラウン」「カヤールス・トースス、アラウン一里を名べ

いかかかりのの

三言明又三部東下總答八京·知日里·信以以限日真是十三日三部東下經不一應答八京·知日三村己前記官問本日園讀少右書早在一上、京、宋、詞四三村己前問記官一門為本日園讀少右書品余部十二十十八八十一八八八十月八八八日書三三日

、明に里少佐「ナヤルス·トーマス·かラトレード」「ヤールス·トーマス·ブララ」「第名」

「人、ひ、モグフォード/印」子/門子人付門決裁判所将校陸軍歩矢大尉「人、ひ、モグフォード/署名/

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余一面前一次干之一署名とりいこり遭明大衛前十子りにこと及び、謹言轉写後同人八之ヲ阅讀之一面前三去頭之 提與サレタル諸部四一村と前記ををり一三旦八二三年陸軍少在「キールス・トース、ブラウビが余買が工して、い、了は「九四五年」四知干年五月十日余即十十八十十四五年一四四年十四年末次

「ヤエームス、ひ、フィットラルド」 印字一年全情報部特派員「チェームス、ひ、イットラルジ」 署名

日時一九里年一郎八十五月十二日。唐所「千十八十十八十十八十十八十十八十十八十二十八十二十八十二十二日

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